

Meet the staff of your hometown newspaper

The *Salado Village Voice* newspaper was founded by the late Dayton Kelly with the first edition on February 17, 1979.

The newspaper has seen four decades of service to the Village of Salado.

For three of those decades, Tim and Marilyn Fleischer have been at the helm of the *Salado Village Voice*.

Salado Village Voice newspaper has always been a family affair, since its founding by Dayton Kelly in 1979. After Dayton's death, his sons Dennis and Bill operated the newspaper until the Fleischer family purchased the newspaper in 1988.

Salado Village Voice is locally owned and operated. "We are vested in Salado and invested in Salado," says publisher and editor-in-chief Tim Fleischer.

As we begin 2023, *Salado Village Voice* staffers would like to re-introduce themselves to the community they serve.

Salado Village Voice has a staff of three full time family members, including publishers Tim and Marilyn Fleischer and their son Royce Wiggin, staff photographer and office assistant.

In addition to individual awards by staff members, *Salado Village Voice* has been honored by the community and state. The newspaper was the first-ever Business of the Year, awarded in January 2003 by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

For 30 years, *Salado Village Voice* has published *Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas*, a quarterly magazine. The Jewel magazine has been accepted for distribution at the Texas travel centers at each of the entrances into the state after meeting the strict standards to do so.

The newspaper also maintains an active website at www.saladovillagevoice.com and has electronic editions of the newspaper available for subscribers.

The newspaper joined the Texas Press Association in 2010.

Tim Fleischer

Tim Fleischer has been a newspaperman since he was 16, working for both weeklies and daily newspapers. "I got the Devil's Ink at an early age and haven't been

able to get rid of it," he said of his 39 years in the newspaper industry.

For 34 years, he has been the editor of the *Salado Village Voice*.

But his love for Salado has been for more than three decades. "I came to Salado with my parents for the Art Fair and Gathering of the Clans when I was growing up in Coryell County," he said. "I drove through it every day on my way to run a small newspaper in Florence."

Tim and Marilyn Fleischer have published the newspaper since 1988. During that time, the newspaper has grown from an eight-page tabloid to a full-size broadsheet newspaper with four sections.

"We have grown with the community and are a reflection of it," he said.

In those years, the newspaper has won several awards from the Texas Community Newspaper Association, where *Salado Village Voice* competed against newspapers from San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Austin and around the state.

Tim has won several TCNA awards: advertising design (third in state for large ad format and third in state for advertising series); editorial work (first in state for editorial writing, third in state for editorial writing, third in state for column writing) and second in state for community service (for articles during the incorporation election).

In 2019, he and Royce Wiggin won a Texas Press Association award for Feature Photography in 2019.

Fleischer has been named to the Texas Association of School Boards Media Honor Roll several times during his tenure at the helm of the newspaper. Media are recommended and nominated for the Honor Roll by local school boards for their coverage of schools.

He has also served the community in a variety of capacities, including four different terms on the board of directors of the Salado Chamber of Commerce and six years on the board of directors of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

He was president of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 1998 and treasurer



(PHOTO BY SHELBY KABLER)

Salado Village Voice has been an independent, family-owned newspaper since day one. Shown above are (from left) Tim and Marilyn Fleischer with Coco Chanel and Royce Wiggin with Cicero.

for two years of the Institute for Humanities at Salado.

Fleischer was Chairman of the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 2015.

He served a term on the inaugural board of the Salado Community Foundation.

He was also on the first board that established the Mentoring program in Salado.

Tim is a Mason and twice Past Master of the Salado Masonic Lodge #296. He served as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District #48 in 2011-12 and is the current Secretary for the Salado Lodge. He was presented the Golden Trowel award in 2011. As one of the highest honors any Texas freemason can receive, the Golden Trowel Award was established by the Grand Lodge of Texas for the purpose of recognizing any mason who has consistently demonstrated outstanding and exemplary service to in the community. Golden Trowel recipients display commitment to masonic principles in general and/or in their lodge. He is the

Lodge Flag Committee chairman.

He currently serves on the Village Park advisory board for the Village of Salado.

He is known to great grandson Nate Timothy Potter as DoDo (like the bird).

He and wife Marilyn share responsibilities at the newspaper. "She runs the office and makes the business decisions and I make editorial decisions," he said.

The Fleischers are covering their third generation of Salado kids. "We are recognizing the names of the kids of those kids we covered in the late 80s and early 90s," Tim said. "Not very many newspapermen can say that they are covering multiple generations of families in a community."

"A community newspaper should be both a cheerleader and a conscience for the town it serves," he adds. "We celebrate our successes whenever we can."

"Because we live here, pay taxes here and serve in our community, we feel a responsibility to holding local officials accountable

for their actions," he adds. "This is not always an easy thing to do, but we owe it to the taxpayers, businesses and residents to do this."

"The one thing I try not to do is to tell my readers what to think," he adds. "This is why we have not officially endorsed or opposed a candidate for school board or board of aldermen. We try to present, in as fair a manner as I know how, as much information as possible for the residents and voters to make up their own minds."

Marilyn Fleischer

Marilyn got the Devil's Ink in her blood after meeting Tim 35 years ago.

She is managing editor and advertising manager of *Salado Village Voice*.

She worked in the corporate world prior to the purchase of the *Salado Village Voice* in 1988.

She also owned and operated a business in the Killeen/Copperas Cove area for several years while raising her three children.

During their years in Salado, Marilyn has served the community in many ways.

She was honored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce in 2020 by being named to its Hall of Fame.

"I think I have been most satisfied with my work with the Salado Family Relief Fund," she said. For her birthday in 2017, Marilyn asked her friends to contribute to the Salado Family Relief Fund, raising more than \$1,000.

In addition to her work to establish the Family Relief Fund, Marilyn has also been Art Fair chairperson for multiple years, and served three years as a Chamber of Commerce Director.

She served two three-year terms on the Salado Civic Center board of directors.

She was on the founding board of the Salado Community Foundation and continues to serve on the foundation board.

She has also won awards from the TCNA. She has twice been honored. She won second place for Best Feature Photo and second place for Community Service for her work with the

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Well permit sought for apartment complex

BY TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District will conduct a public hearing at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 11 on an application for operating permit for an existing well to be located on 14.387 acres at the northeast corner of I-35 and FM 2268.

The CUWCD office is located at 700 Kennedy Court in Belton.

The application permit request from RREAF Holdings, LLC, which is building an apartment complex on the Sanctuary property at the south end of Main St., is for a well with a 2-inch pipe size and an initial withdrawal rate

of 50 gallons per minute for a proposed annual quantity net to exceed 19.2 acre feet/year or 6,256,339 gallons.

The well will be used for commercial landscape irrigation only.

The existing well is within a half-mile of 35 active wells, four of which are permitted for public and/or commercial purposes.

CUWCD is currently in stage 2 of the drought management plan as the district has received 21.453 inches of rain in the last 365 days, which is 65% of the 33 inches of anticipated rain for that period.

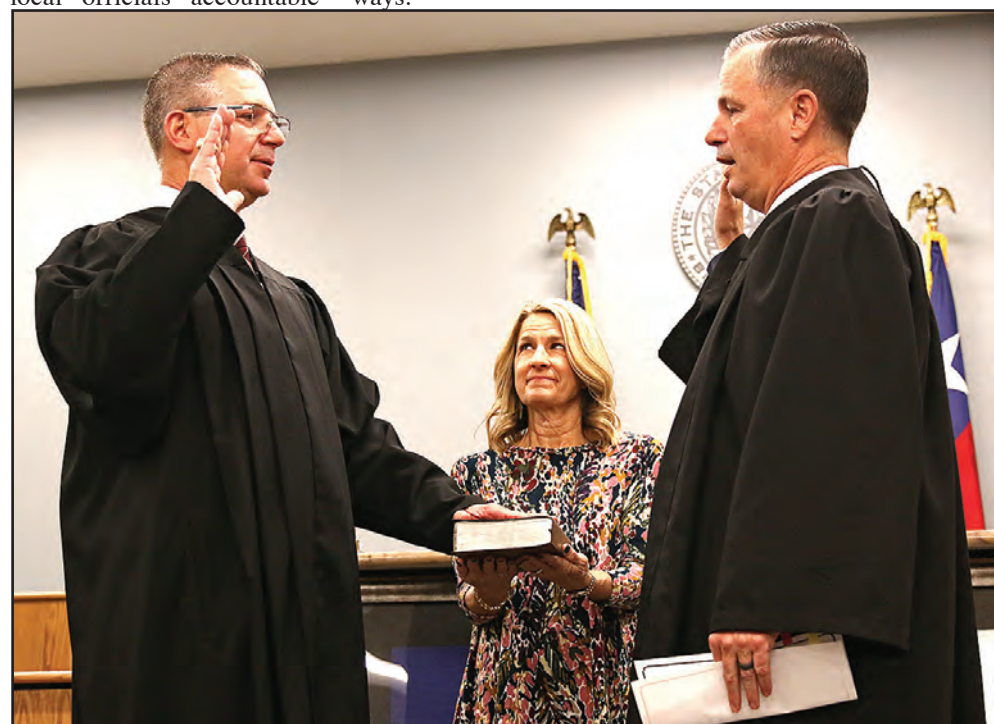
"The gravity of the current drought is reminiscent of epic drought of 2011-13,

significant drought in 2018 and again in the summer of 2020," CUWCD General Manager Dirk Aaron stated in an executive summary on the permit application.

"The current drought does necessitate that the proposed permit will have encountered the need for all permit holder's reduction of 30% from June through September and an additional amount of 20% from October to present."

"These extreme reductions in 2022 would have been significant to the applicant's investment of landscape thus is encouraged to reevaluate the option of a new well completed to

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Judge Wade Faulkner, 478th Judicial District, (right) administers the oath of office to fellow Saladoan Cliff Coleman, Bell County Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 (left) at the Bell County Annex in Salado at 11057 Event Drive. The new annex will house the Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Court and Rolly Correa, Bell County Constable Precinct 2. Coleman's wife Regina holds the Bible. More than 100 people attended the event. State Rep. Brad Buckley, another Saladoan, told the standing-room only that "this is probably the most people that will ever been in this court room." (PHOTO BY ROYCE WIGGIN)

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas

Cryptos, Meme investments; some of the manias of 2022

The Markets

U.S. Stocks ended the last week of 2022 with a whimper. The S&P 500 Stock Index (SPX) our prime indicator for what stocks in general are doing in the United States each week, declined a mere 0.34% to close out the week and the year at 3839.50. That small decline in total value left the SPX down 19.44% for the year but still over 7% higher than it was in mid-October, a whopping 72% higher than it was back in March of 2020, and over 18% ahead of where it stood three years ago. The other stock market indicator we follow, the CRSP U.S. Mid-Cap Value Index, closed out the year at 2339.59, down 0.3% for the week and down about 10% for 2022. That set of numbers leaves the SPX down the most it has fallen in a single year since 2008.

The benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury Note ended the year yielding 3.88% after beginning the year at 1.52%, a record rise in a single year of 156%. Despite the largest percentage increase in the 10-year Treasury yield in history, the Treasury yield curve also broke a record for being most inverted with the 6-month T-Bill yielding an astonishing 4.76%, annualized. Even the 30-year Treasury Bond, normally the highest yield on the curve, was lower, at 3.97%. West Texas Intermediate crude oil (WTI) closed out the week at \$80.51 per barrel, 66% higher than it was at the beginning of the year, but a third lower than it was in June when the price shot above \$120.

The Economy

It may be good at this point to summarize what happened in the economy this year resulting in the highest year-over-year inflation we have seen in 40 years as well as the generally choppy, unstable numbers being generated by traders on Wall Street. First, at the end of last year, some of the largest tech firms were on shaky ground with their stock trading at what many considered to be absurd

Market & Economic Update

By Jeffrey W. McClure



levels. At the same time, a speculative frenzy was clearly underway as companies, and items with little or no real-world value shot to prices that could only be considered insane. "Meme" stocks of companies that were rapidly headed into insolvency would suddenly rise to trade at thousands of times their most optimistic underlying value. Crypto "coins" and "non-fungible tokens" (NFTs) that arguably had no value other than that they were unique items traded at tens or even hundreds of thousands of dollars each. There was even a craze in stock offerings that had no underlying anything owned by the listing corporations, just a suggestion that they were going to invest in something to be named in the future.

All such manias end unpleasantly and sometimes with an event. In this case the event was the first large-scale invasion of one country by another in Europe since World War II. That invasion set off a chain of events, as it, and a series of embargos against Russia, eliminated about 12% of the world's oil supply and about the same amount of wheat and some other grains. The sudden reduction in supply combined with a huge pent-up demand release as people departed from pandemic-related isolation triggered a cost-of-living increase between a low of about 9% in the US and as much as 23% in parts of Europe. By July, inflation began to taper off in the U.S. but continued to rage in Europe. Then, as if on cue, the new, more contagious versions of COVID-19 began to spread in China. The government there elected to impose total lockdowns across cities and regions, cutting the supply of manufactured goods from the world's prime supplier. Of course, the Federal Re-

serve, mandated by law to maintain stability and value in our currency, raised interest rates at the fastest percent rate in American history. Rapidly rising interest rates began to curb the flood of borrowed money that was driving the speculative mania, and the ensuing collapse of meme stocks, crypto, NFTs, and the highest-flying tech stocks was shocking to many.

Perhaps one of the more surprising things about this iteration of mania and collapse in the speculative markets was not that the broad stock market declined in value, but how little it fell. The last two times we saw wild, unreasoned speculation take hold and then collapse, in the year 2001, and again in 2008, the broad value of stocks fell about 50% as investors panicked and sold the good with the bad. This time around, the investing public seems to have held on to what was learned in those events as, so far, the lowest market level was around 25% below its peak.

Meanwhile, as the year ends, the underlying U.S. economy continues to look quite healthy, though with a record-breaking decline in house sales. The labor market continues to act as if we are headed into full-scale growth despite the rapid rise in interest rates and the pundits' consensus broadcasts of a coming recession. While we hate to put this in print, it is different this time. The things about which we can be confident is that we are in uncharted territory, the American economy is performing far better than expected and is likely to continue to do so, and that the rest of the world appears to be facing some economic pain. Beyond that, the future is always uncertain, but we remain cautiously optimistic.

Blame it on the Trees!

To the Editor:

BLAME IT ON TREES!
Really, TEXAS A&M Scientist? (Woody Thicketts article 1/2/23 Temple Daily Telegram)

You are blaming trees for the lack of water recharge in the aquifer under eastern Williamson and Travis county?

Anyone who lives in those counties is well aware of the incredible development in both counties.

Developers in both counties look at Bell County and the aquifer flowing under

Your Voice

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us, and have begun to consider moving their straws to suck out of the Edward's Aquifer.

On January 11, an apartment developer and "local developer" are requesting of Clearwater (hearing in Belton at 1:30) the right to suck 6 million gallons a year for the "7-9 apartment

building vegetation".

So blame the trees and vegetation...don't blame the impervious rooftops, and blacktop roadways and outside parking spaces?

BLAME THE TREES...hahaha
Linda Reynolds
Salado



Beware Aggrieved Empires

China sent 71 aircraft and seven ships toward Taiwan in a 24-hour period, while Russia shelled the Kherson region more than 70 times.

These acts of aggression -- occurring 5,000 miles apart, one in a grinding war of attrition, the other as part of an ongoing political and diplomatic struggle that may well result in open hostilities -- are related.

It's no accident that the two most dangerous powers in the world, China and Russia, are aggrieved empires seeking to right what they consider the wrongs that resulted in their humiliation and diminishment in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Whereas in the 2000s the most pressing problem of the international system seemed to be malicious sub-national groups operating in ungoverned spaces, now it is malicious would-be supranational entities seeking to take over spaces governed by others.

In his masterly book, "Diplomacy," Henry Kissinger observed, "Empires have no interest in operating within an international system; they aspire to be the international system."

The fall of the Roman Empire was a social and economic catastrophe for the West, but it's been a blessing that no such over-awing behemoth ever rose in its place.

Russia and China, in contrast, never lost their imperial DNA, and have chips on their shoulders.

Russia achieved some success in its long-running ambition to be considered a major European power through top-down reforms

Rich Lowry



and military conquest. It gobbled up an estimated 50 square miles a day across a couple of centuries. But it lost the Crimean War in the mid-19th century, suffered a humiliating defeat at the hands of Japan in 1905, and then experienced utter catastrophe in World War I.

Marxism-Leninism was supposed to provide a way for backward Russia to leapfrog the West. That didn't happen, but Moscow established a new Communist empire of considerable extent. Of course, this came a cropper with defeat in the Cold War, an event that Vladimir Putin, notably, considers "the greatest geopolitical catastrophe of the century."

The man who has statues of Peter and Catherine the Great, accomplished Russian imperialists, on display in the Kremlin considers an independent Ukraine merely a tool of hostile Western forces and a wayward part of Greater Russia. Such ideas -- and a deep feeling of shame at Russia's fall -- justify the brutish attempted occupation and dismemberment of Ukraine, a cynical and crude operation even by Russian standards.

If Russia sought to be a respected member of the European club, China believed it needn't bother. It was the Middle Kingdom, the only civilization in a world of barbarians who owed it tribute and deference. Its sense of superiority was punctured by the

Opium Wars in the middle of the 19th century and, as with Russia, a shocking defeat in a conflict with Japan.

Eventually, China, too, turned to Marxism-Leninism. After yet more humiliation and failure, the CCP now is fired with audacious visions of a return to imperial grandeur.

President Xi Jinping is more or less explicit about it. He has said that "since the Opium War of the 1840s the Chinese people have long cherished a dream of realizing a great national rejuvenation." Now, it is on the cusp of providing "a new option for other countries," and "a Chinese approach to solving the problems facing mankind." In short, "it will be an era that sees China moving closer to center stage."

This is a vision of Middle Kingdom redux, although couched in bloodless phrasing.

Xi views Taiwan much the same way as Putin views Ukraine -- it rightfully belongs to China, and re-taking it will help salve the geo-political and psychological wounds of imperial China's spectacular descent into disaster and powerlessness. "We cannot lose even one inch of the territory left behind by our ancestors," Xi told a U.S. official in 2018.

The war in Ukraine shows that when an autocrat ruling a once-great empire speaks in such terms, it is time to arm the targeted state to the teeth and dispense with all illusions.

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Author Quadlander to speak to Ladies Community League on Jan. 12

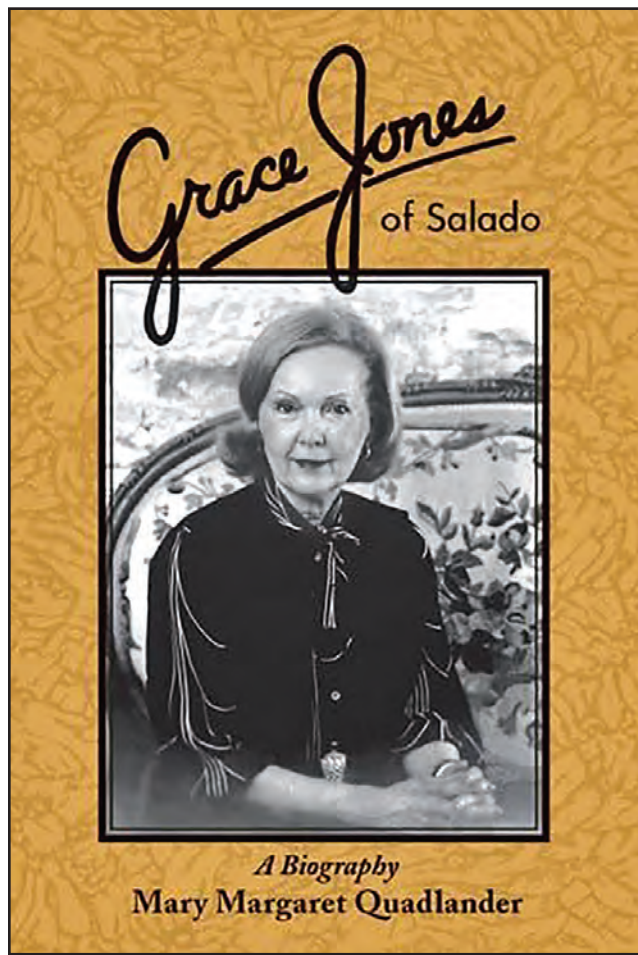
Members of Salado Ladies Community League are looking forward to hearing Mary Margaret Quadlander on Thursday, January 12 report on her latest book, Grace Jones of Salado – A Biography.

She will be offering an overview of her book with additional anecdotes and some funny stories about Grace Jones. She will be bringing personal items of Grace's to share with our guests, and offering the sale of her new book, with a personal signing session to follow.

The League meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. with a social time, followed by the meeting at 10 a.m. at the Church of Christ Activities Building. Visitors are invited to attend.

Mary Margaret Quadlander, a fifth generation Austinite, led a successful career in the fashion industry, spending twenty-three years as a designer and founder of her design label.

After graduating from The University of Texas and later from FIT in New York, in 1986 she began designing under her own namesake brand, Mary Margaret Quadlander, selling to such stores as Neiman Marcus, Tootsies, Cache, Stanley Korshak,



The Clothes Horse, Fawbush's, The Garden Room, Sakowitz, and Grace Jones of Salado.

Offered a faculty position at The University of Texas and St. Edward's University, Mary Margaret began teaching Fashion Design and Illustration, while earning a Master of Liberal Arts Degree from St. Ed-

ward's. Afterward, she founded The Austin School of Fashion Design in Austin, Texas, a hands-on design program teaching the real-world industry techniques necessary for designing clothing. ASFD is now an academy for young people, ages 7-12, who want to learn to sew, illustrate and design their own clothing.

In 2011, the first biography of Grace Jones of Salado was printed, but because there has been a renewed well-deserved interest in the story of the WASP, she revised the story, to include more of their history. Now in 2022, Grace's story has been re-released.

Annual Chili Cook-off Jan. 15 at Heritage Country Church

Heritage Country Church Annual Chili Cook-Off is slated for 11:15 a.m. Jan. 15, immediately following the church service.

They invite you to enjoy the entrants' best chili reci-

pes: \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids to eat.

For those entering the contest, use at least 10 lbs. of meat (no beans). There will be two categories: Regular and Game. Trophies

for first, second and third in each category will be awarded. There will also be a trophy for one overall winner.

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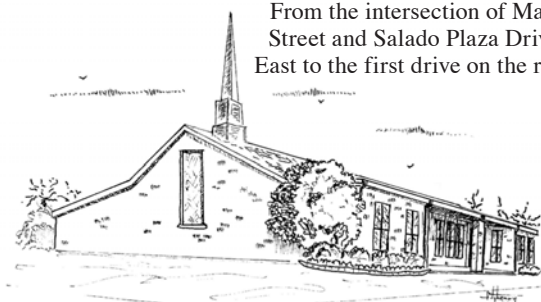
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"The way church used to be."

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42nd Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic set Jan. 12 at Milam Co. Youth Expo

The Milam County Youth Exposition Building will be the location of the 2023 Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic to be held on Jan. 12.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. with the program slated to begin at 8:00 a.m. The program will conclude at 2:30 p.m. For 42 years Cattlemen in Central Texas have benefited from the quality research-based education this multi-county event provides.

The clinic will offer 2 hours of CEU's (1-Laws & Regulations and 1-General) for renewal of private applicator license and certificate holders.

Speakers and topics will include: "2022 Beef Cattle Market Update & Outlook" -Dr. Jason Johnson; "TDA Pesticide Laws & Regulations" -Perry Cervantes; "Managing the Beef Herd During Drought and Plan-



(TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE PHOTO BY LAURA MCKENZIE)
The Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic is Jan. 12 in Cameron.

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Wed & Thurs - 8:30 a.m.
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As in years past the Clin-

ic will host an industry trade show with vendors such as Livestock Nutrition Center, Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Assn., Bimeda, Capital Farm Credit, Texas Brangus Assn., Cropotek Insurance, Texas Beef Council, Ag Southwest Crop & Rainfall Insurance, Classic Bank, Williamson County Tractor, and many more. Door prizes and special offers from these vendors will be drawn for at the

conclusion of the day.

Please call 254-697-7045 if you are planning to attend or if you have any questions. A registration fee of \$20 will be charged. This fee offsets the cost of a catered lunch, refreshments, and printed materials handed out at the program. Pre-registration is important for an accurate meal count and to assure we have enough printed material. R.S.V.P. Deadline will be Jan. 9.

Permit

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the Hensell Layer of the Trinity Aquifer," Aaron stated. "Being in the Eastern Management Zone, the restrictions would not be as rigid as the Edwards BFZ restrictions."

Aaron put forth these recommendations in his summary.

"Since the operating permit is for an existing well, we recommend the Board only require the following for the well completion report: well completion diagram, pump curve, pumping test (two prescribed monitor/observation wells), water quality and predicted impacts of the proposed production from the well on existing wells completed within the same aquifer that are within half-mile of the production well.

Aaron also asks in the summary that the applicant revisit other options by utilizing public water

supply from Salado Water Supply or pursuing an alternative groundwater source (the Hensell Layer of the Trinity Aquifer) "should the pumping test inform all parties that the amount of groundwater requested has a negative impact on existing well owners and/or potential impact on spring which are all down gradient of the existing well."

According to a Technical Memorandum created by R.W. Harden & Associates, the Edwards Balcones Fault Zone Aquifer is from 80 feet below ground level and about 265 feet thick at the well location. The existing well is open to the aquifer from 130 to 195 feet below ground level.

The irrigation usage would have 7.98 acres of lawn area water with spray irrigation, 0.37 acres of shrub area with drip irrigation and 24 trees also being watered with drip

irrigation.

RW Harden and Associates examined the potential drawdown effects on wells in the vicinity of the permit request.

The predicted one-day drawdown effect on the next closest two wells is under 2 feet. The 30-day drawdown effect the closest five wells is 2 feet or less. The one-year drawdown on the closest 23 wells is between 2.8 feet and 1 foot.

"We do not expect the proposed production to have a noticeable affect on the water levels in existing wells in comparison to the seasonal water level fluctuations," Michael R. Keester stated in the technical memorandum. "Nonetheless, continued water-level monitoring will aid in assessing the long-term effects of cumulative groundwater production in the area."

Newspaper

FROM PAGE 1A

Salado Family Relief Fund.

The Fleischers helped to establish what became known as the Public Arts League of Salado and the Salado Ambassador Program.

The Fleischers' children -- Royce Wiggin and Jenny Potter, both graduates of Salado High School -- have grown up in the eye of the community. Royce graduated in 2007, beginning in second grade in Salado schools. Jenny began her school career as a kindergarten at Thomas Arnold Elementary School and graduated in 2009.

Marilyn welcomed her ninth grandchild to the world in 2015. Beren Crow Baggett was born on August 26, 2015.

Great-grandparents to Nate Potter, the Fleischers welcomed twin great grandchildren Kace and Brynn Potter in June 2020 and Ivy Jean Ewell in September 2022.

Royce Wiggin

Royce Wiggin is one of those rare species: a native of Salado, born here on July 5, 1989.

His first home was the historic Levi Tenney House in Salado's Pace Park.

He has attended school in Salado since second grade graduating in 2007.

While in high school, he was a trumpet player in the Salado Eagle Marching Band.

He began work at the newspaper over the summer

of his junior year in high school.

His responsibilities include photography and reporting, classified advertising, directing phone calls in the office, proof reading, typesetting, archiving, distribution and a myriad of other duties.

Royce is the staff sports photographer, traveling to games on Tuesdays and Fridays to shoot football, volleyball, basketball, cross country, soccer and in the spring, track, wrestling, baseball and softball.

He is the son of Tim and Marilyn Fleischer, owners of the newspaper, and is glad to finally get paid for all the hours he spends at the newspaper office.

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Joy of Chocolate Competition held at Salado Public Library Jan. 28

Formerly known as the Death by Chocolate contest, created and organized by Letta Meinen years ago, it has been transformed into the Joy of Chocolate contest. Adults and young people alike are encouraged to join in the fun and create a dish that involves chocolate. It does not need to be an original recipe. The creativity of participants in the past has been extraordinary!

This chocolate extravaganza will take place at the Salado Public library on Saturday, January 28.

Entry packets must be returned by Friday, January 27.

Completed chocolate entries must be set up by noon on January 28. Two chefs will privately judge the entries between noon and 2 p.m. The entries then will be open for public tasting and judging from 2 - 4 p.m., when prizes will be awarded. There is no charge to come taste and vote for your favorite.

There will be two entry categories: Youth (up to age 17) and Adult (age 18 and over). Cash awards will be given for:

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- Youth 1st & 2nd
- Adult 1st & 2nd
- Public Voting
- Youth 1st, 2nd & 3rd



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Village of Salado Calendar of Events

Mondays
 Floor practice at Salado Masonic Lodge #296, 95 S. Church St., 6:30 p.m. except

on Stated Meeting nights.
 Open Mic with Ryan White, at Chupacabra, 7 p.m.
 Tonkawa Chapter Native

Plant Society of Texas meeting, 6 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

Tuesdays
 Storytime with Ms. April at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.

Tech Tuesday at Salado Public Library, 2 p.m. Get help with technology. Appointment required. Call the Library at 254-947-9191.

Tuesday Night Prix Fixe at Alexander's Craft Cocktails + Kitchen. \$16.95 for entree, dessert and glass of wine. Prix Fixe menu changes weekly. Visit Alexander's Facebook page for weekly updates on Prix Fixe.

Trivia with Rockin Rick, at Chupacabra, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesdays
 Guest food truck day at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m.

Game Night at Barrow Brewing Co., 4-9 p.m. Trivia with Chad on second Wed.

Wine Down Wednesday at Alexander's Craft Cocktails & Kitchen, 5-7 p.m., Half price on select bottles of wine, featured wine by the glass and feature cocktail specials change weekly.

Grief Share group at Grace Church Salado, 5798 FM 2484, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Karaoke, 7-10 p.m. at Chupacabra.

Thursdays
 Vinyl Nite with Shannon at Barrow Brewing Co., 5 p.m.

Teen Writing Group, Salado Public Library, 6 p.m.

Run4Beer Group, 6:30 p.m., Barrow Brewing Co.

Pint night at Chupacabra, 4 p.m.-midnight.

Maxx Carter at Chupacabra, 6-10 p.m.

Family Night at The Shed, specials on beer and pizzas change every week.

Fridays
 Storytime with Ms. April, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beers, 7-11 p.m.

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co. 6 p.m.

Fridays-Sundays
 All Day Gourmet food tasting, Wild Texas Cowgirl, 642 N. Main St., Blue & White House. Open late Fri & Sat! @WildTexasCowgirl-Google Us!

Saturdays
 Asanas & Ales, 9 a.m. at Barrow Brewing Co. First class of 2023 begins Jan. 14.

Storytime at Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. No storytime Thanksgiving week.

Live Music at Chupacabra Craft Beer and Kitchen, 8 p.m.-midnight

Live Music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m.

Sundays
 Live Music at Barrow Brewing, 4 p.m.

January 5
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Deep Ellum.

January 5
 Village of Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting will be cast via Zoom. Link will be posted at saladotx.gov 72 hours before meeting.

January 6
 First Friday Breakfast, 8:30-9:30 a.m. at First Community Title Salado office, 40 N. Main St.

January 6
 Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m., Paul Val.

January 7
 Teen Hangout at Salado Public Library, 1 p.m. Hang out and play Super Smash Brothers. Ages 12+ only.

January 7
 Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m., Kyle Mathis.

January 9
 Second Monday Book Club, Salado Public Library, 2 p.m. General fiction book club for adults.

January 11
 Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

January 11
 Adult Craft Time at Salado Public Library, 6 p.m. Making a Hello Winter frame.

January 11
 Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Bahler Street Pizza.

January 12
 Salado Ladies Community League meeting, 9:30 a.m. social, 10 meeting at Salado Church of Christ Activity Center. Speaker is Mary Margaret Quadlander, author of Grace Jones of Salado - A Biography.

January 12
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Barking Armadillo.

January 12
 Tween Book Club, Salado Public Library, 3:30 p.m. Book club for kids in grades 6-8.

January 12
 True Crime Book Club for adults, 6 p.m. Salado Public Library

January 12
 Around the World Dinner Series at Alexander's Distillery, 6:30 p.m. Reservations online through eventbrite.com for \$84.95 for five course themed dinner. Destination Korea.

January 13
 Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. John "Pops" Dennie.

January 14
 First session of 2023 of Asanas and Ales, Barrow Brewing Co., 9 a.m.

January 14
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m. Anna Larson.

January 14
 Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Dustin Endsley.

January 14-15
 Salado Market Days 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Salado Antique Mall 721 Stagecoach Road. Salado's original Market Days event.

January 15
 Heritage Country Church Annual Chili Cook-Off, 11:15 a.m. immediately following the church service. \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids to eat. For those entering the contest, use at least 10 lbs. of meat (no beans). Two categories: Regular and Game. Trophies for first, second and third in each category. Trophy for one overall winner.

January 16
 Salado ISD Board of Trustees meeting, 6 p.m., Salado Civic Center.

January 16
 Salado Democrats meet the third Monday of each month, 7 p.m., in the conference room of Salado Public Library.

January 18
 Music Munchkins, 10 a.m. Salado Public Library. Music and movement for children ages 0-3.

January 18
 Barrow Brewing Co., guest food truck, 4-8 p.m., Big Tony's Cheesesteaks.

January 19
 Third Thursday Book Club, Salado Public Library, 3 p.m. General fiction book club for adults.

January 19
 Pint Night at Chupacabra Craft Beer, 4 p.m.-midnight. Get a free pint glass with every purchase of the featured brewery, Texas Beer Co.

January 19
 Ladies Night at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Ages 21 and over for this event. \$100 per person. Book online at saladoglassworks.com.

January 19
 Village of Salado Aldermen meeting, 6:30 p.m. 301 N. Stagecoach Rd. Meeting will be cast via Zoom. Link will be posted at saladotx.gov 72 hours before meeting.

January 20
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., Sara Seven.

January 20
 Live music at Chupacabra, 7 p.m. Trey Yenger.

January 20-21
 Valentine's Blow-Your-Own Heart Event at Salado Glassworks, #2 Peddler's Alley. Blown Heart (\$60); Bowl (\$85). Register online at saladoglassworks.com.

January 21
 Teen Scene, Salado Public Library, 11 a.m. Teen Movie Afternoon, ages 12+.

January 21
 Live music at Barrow Brewing Co., 6 p.m., James Madstone.

January 25
 Salado Lions Club luncheon meeting, 11:30 a.m., Salado Civic Center.

January 21
 Live music at Chupacabra, 8 p.m. Trey Yenger.



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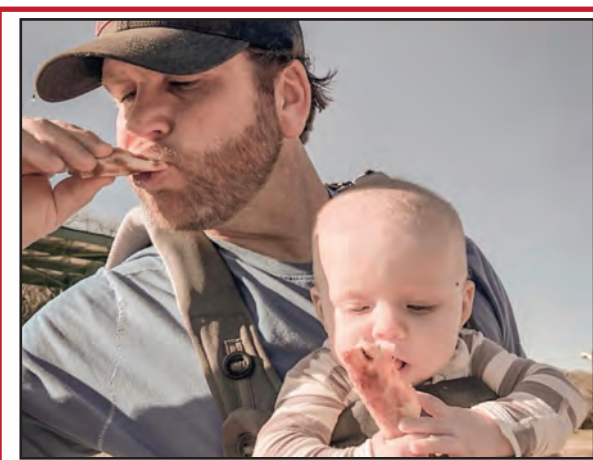
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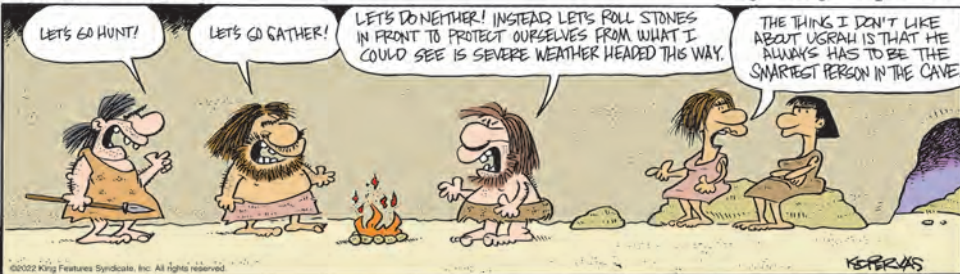
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



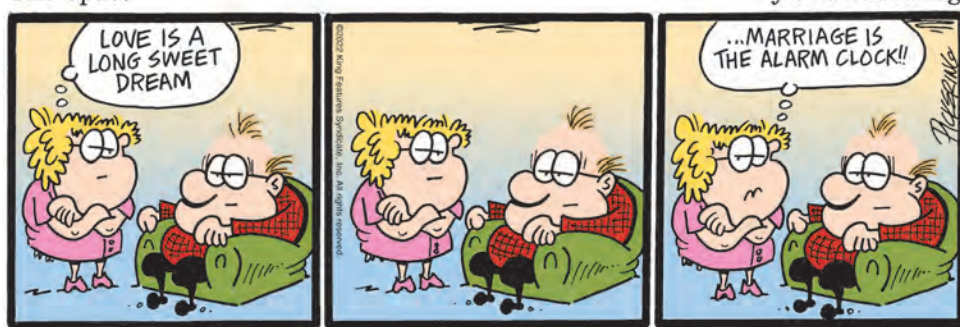
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Contract Bridge

CAREFUL PLAY FOILS DEFENSE

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 7 4
♥ K Q 8 7
♦ Q J 3
♣ A 5 2

WEST
♠ 10 6 2
♥ A 10 9 4
♦ 5 2
♣ 10 9 8 6

EAST
♠ Q J 9 5
♥ J 6 3 2
♦ 8 7 4
♣ J 3

SOUTH
♠ K 8 3
♥ 5
♦ A K 10 9 6
♣ K Q 7 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1 NT Pass 3♦ Pass
4♦ Pass 4 NT Pass
5♥ Pass 6♦
Opening lead — ten of clubs.

Let's say you're in six diamonds and West leads the ten of clubs. How would you proceed? If you fail to treat the hand with the respect it deserves, you'll finish down one — assuming best defense.

For example, if you win the club, draw trump and lead a heart toward

dummy, West follows low, and sooner or later you lose a spade and a club.

The best approach, after winning the club lead with the king, is to play a heart immediately. If West takes the ace, you have 12 tricks, so let's assume he lets you win with dummy's queen.

Now you cash the A-Q of trump, leaving one trump at large, then play the ace and another club toward your queen, hoping to find the suit divided 3-3. East produces the jack on the ace, then goes into deep thought trying to decide whether or not to ruff the five.

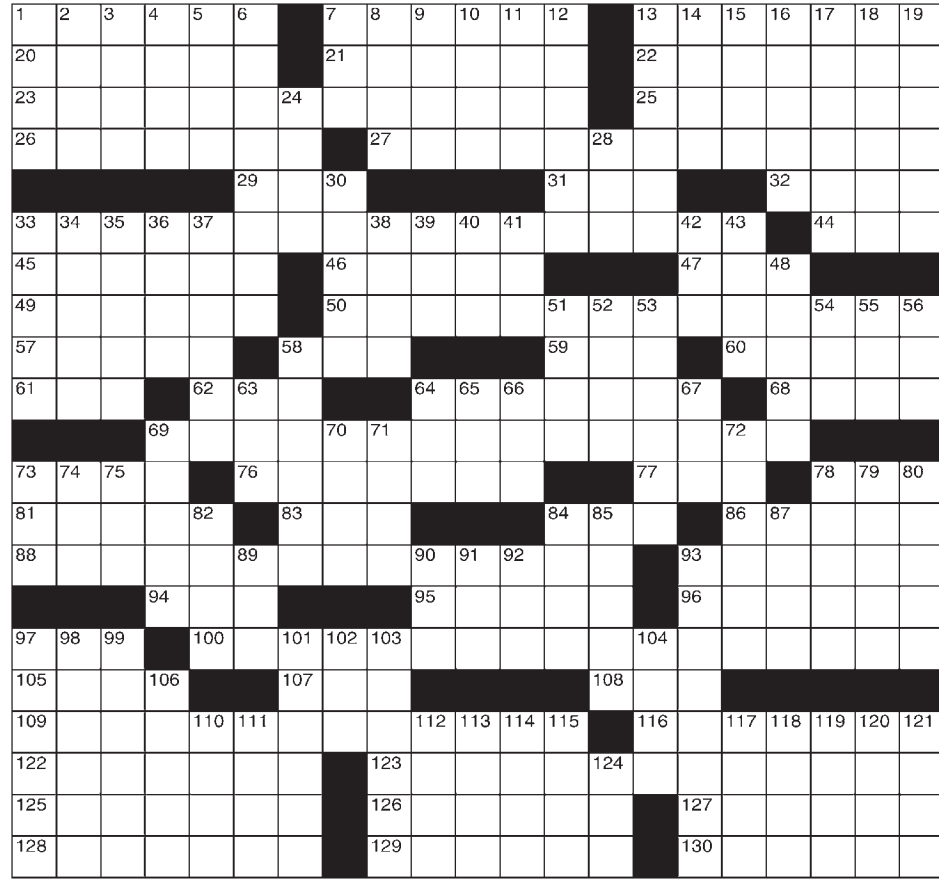
Actually, it doesn't matter what he does. Let's suppose he trumps the club. In that case, you play low from your hand, retaining the queen of clubs. With all the adverse trumps now out of circulation, you can later discard a spade from dummy on the club queen and make the slam by ruffing a spade in dummy.

If East does not ruff the third round of clubs, you are on equally firm ground. After winning with the queen, you ruff the seven of clubs with the jack of trump to produce your 12th trick.

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by Steve Becker

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Pet" annoyances
 - 7 Dance click
 - 13 Extreme right-wing doctrine
 - 20 Polio vaccine developer
 - 21 2008 presidential campaign coinage
 - 22 Caine/Ustinov adventure film
 - 23 SKILglintLET
 - 25 Scorn
 - 26 Poem with six stanzas
 - 27 PUSmackSS
 - 29 Boob tubes
 - 31 Born, to Luc
 - 32 Arab ruler
 - 33 COSimianRE
 - 44 "Certainly"
 - 45 Open with a click
 - 46 "Star Trek" crew woman
 - 47 43rd U.S. pres.
 - 49 Prairie prayer
 - 50 FORchildEST
 - 57 Pursues prey
 - 58 ISP with a butterfly logo
 - 59 Be in the hole
 - 60 Like wickerwork
 - 61 Hobbit enemy
 - 62 Actress Lupino
 - 64 Tabriz native
 - 68 Thin iPod
 - 69 LAcobraWN
 - 73 — California (Mexican peninsula)
 - 76 The Jordan River flows into it
 - 77 CPR expert
 - 78 Pas' counterparts
 - 81 Kafka or Liszt
 - 83 Freezer cubes
 - 84 "I'm freezing!"
 - 86 Fully grown
 - 88 TUBlazeMMY
 - 93 Napoli's land
 - 94 Retrovirus material
 - 95 On — to nowhere
 - 96 Member of a sorority
 - 97 Kenan's sitcom mate
 - 100 DEVspiritICE
 - 105 "— to laugh!"
 - 107 German cry of vexation
 - 108 Column's counterpart
 - 109 NblastGHT
 - 116 Caribbean island nation
 - 122 Afternoon show
 - 123 GRcreaseIT
 - 125 One going in
 - 126 "Hakuna —" ("The Lion King" song)
 - 127 Vindicate
 - 128 Little puzzles
 - 129 Stage whispers
 - 130 Neatens up
 - 13 Went without food
 - 14 Novelist Sholem
 - 15 Oxford, e.g. — latte (espresso variety)
 - 17 Extreme disrepute
 - 18 Doll who is Barbie's 96-Across
 - 19 Bishops' headwear
 - 24 Peaceful "Avatar" race
 - 28 Outlaw Kelly
 - 30 Gives the cold shoulder
 - 33 Many, informally
 - 34 "Time is — side"
 - 35 "Girlfriend" boy band
 - 36 Lace snarl
 - 37 Has dinner at home
 - 38 Less — stellar
 - 39 Central area
 - 40 Prior to, in poetry
 - 41 — tai
 - 42 Size above med.
 - 43 "How icky!"
 - 48 Helpful things
 - 51 Nada
 - 52 Little branch
 - 53 One listening
 - 54 Reproductive gametes
 - 55 Wildcat's lair
 - 56 Lead-in to cone or Caps
 - 58 Reach a goal
 - 63 Pappy
 - 64 Elected group
 - 65 U.S. Hwy., e.g.
 - 66 "Caught you!"
 - 67 "Rambo" setting, for short
 - 69 More reasonable
 - 70 Per person
 - 71 Concept, in Cannes
 - 72 Cracking radio noise
 - 73 Very close pal, for short
 - 74 Onassis or Fleischer
 - 75 Jam holder
 - 78 Prefix with task
 - 79 Non-earthling
 - 80 Gawk rudely
 - 82 Pizazz
 - 84 Unexciting
 - 85 Winona of "Stranger Things"
 - 87 Quick sprint
 - 89 Casual refusal
 - 90 "Anna and the King" actress — Ling
 - 91 Suffix with southeast
 - 92 Fate
 - 93 "Caught you!"
 - 97 Fate
 - 98 Gas in fuel
 - 99 Ray of "GoodFellas"
 - 101 Westerns, in old slang
 - 102 Univ., e.g. cohort
 - 103 Louise's film
 - 104 Over 50%
 - 106 Hogs' homes
 - 110 Concerning
 - 111 — do-well
 - 112 "Buenos —" ("Good day," in Granada)
 - 113 Prefix with tank
 - 114 Enjoy a novel
 - 115 Toy flown on a windy day
 - 117 — Strauss
 - 118 Exercised
 - 119 Child's plea
 - 120 "Bus Stop" playwright
 - 121 Fruit-flavored drinks
 - 124 "One Mic" rapper



Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- HISTORY:** What is the name of the ancient trade route that connected the East and West?
- LITERATURE:** What was playwright Anton Chekhov's other profession?
- TELEVISION:** Who are the next-door neighbors in TV's sitcom "Laverne & Shirley"?
- GEOGRAPHY:** Which continent has the most countries?
- MUSIC:** What does the shortened term K-pop stand for?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What is another name for a kiwi?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** From which Roman god did the month of January get its name?
- MEDICAL TERMS:** If you suffer from medial tibial stress syndrome, what is the condition commonly called?
- PSYCHOLOGY:** What irrational fear is represented in the condition called ablutophobia?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a baby turkey called?

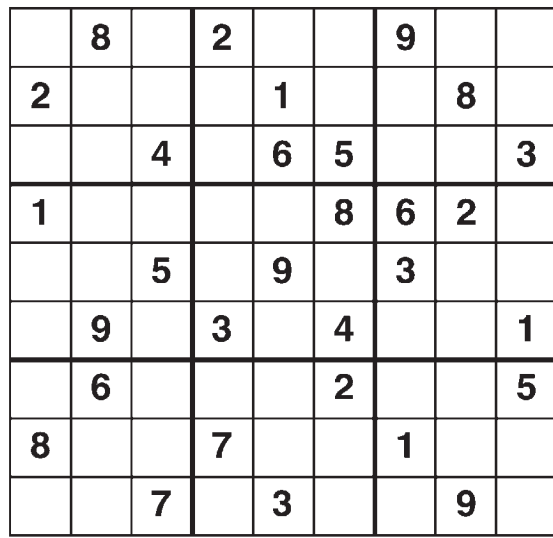
Answers

- The Silk Road.
- Physician.
- Lenny and Squiggy.
- Africa.
- Korean popular music.
- Chinese gooseberry.
- Janus, the god of beginnings and endings.
- Shin splints.
- Fear of bathing.
- A pout.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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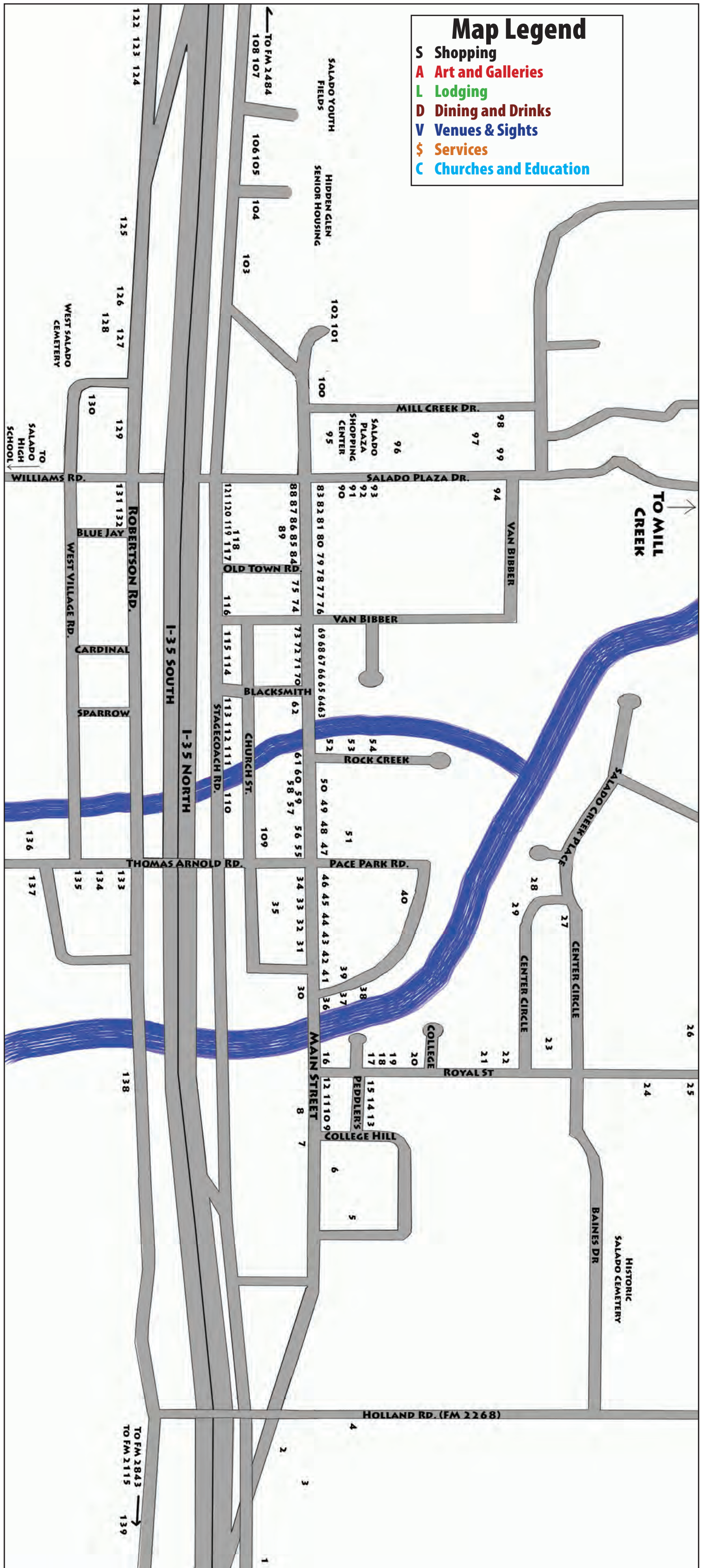
Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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Shopping Map of Salado

#	Business Name	Type
4	St. Stephen Catholic Church 254-947-8037	C
6	Salado College Park	V
7	Raney & Assoc. Real Estate 254-913-1215	\$
8	StageCoach Inn Shady Villa 254-947-5111	D L
9	Salado Museum 254-947-5232	V
	Salado Visitors Center 254-947-8634	\$
	Salado Chamber of Commerce 254-947-5040	\$
	Village of Salado Tourism Office 254-947-8634	\$
	New Life Methodist Church	C
10	Sofi's 254-947-4336	S
11	Chupacabra Craft Beer and Winery (254) 308-2019	D
	Chupacabra Kitchen (254) 308-2220	D
14	Salado Glassworks 254-947-0339	A
15	Rio Salado Cocina y Cantina 254-308-2044	D
17	Barrow Brewing Co. 254-947-3544	D
	Happy Pizza 254-226-1684	
21	The Venue 254-947-5554	V
	Village Spa 254-293-6600	S
22	The Shed 254-947-1960	D
24	Tablerock 254-947-9205	V
26	Salado United Methodist Church 254-947-5482	C
29	Inn on the Creek 254-947-5554	L
	Alexanders Craft Cocktails & Kitchen 254-947-3828	D
30	First Baptist Church 254-947-546	C
32	First Texas Brokerage 254-947-5577	\$
34	First Community Title 254-947-8480	\$
36	Woof.salado 254-500-6865	
40	W.A. Pace Memorial Park 254-947-5060	V
41	Susan Marie's 254-947-5239	S
49	Lively Coffeehouse & Bistro 254-947-3688	D
560	Salado Creek Jewelry 254-855-5538	S
62	The Pizza Place 254-947-0222	D
75	Stage Stop Center	
	Salado Creek Dental 254-308-2027	\$
	Vista Real Estate 254-231-0209	\$
76	Salado Civic Center 254-947-5479	\$
81	Salado Wine Seller and Salado Winery Co. 254-947-8011	D
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| 24. Historic Dipping Vats | 30. First Baptist Church | 51. The Levi Tenney House | 100. The Josiah Fowler House |
| | 31. The Tyler House | 55. The Armstrong Adams House | |



Salado Lady Eagles are shown with their Thorndale tournament trophy: (front row, from left) Ariel Cebreco, Harley Drouillard, Giselle Salazar, Lorali Bookout; (back row, from left) Elly Wade, Karlee Konarik, Elsie Law, Ally Ilher, Brooke McLaurin (COURTESY PHOTO)

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Girls beat all competitors by double figures Ladies win Thorndale

Salado Lady Eagles cruised through the Thorndale Tournament, beating all four opponents by double figures for the trophy and having three players named to the All Tournament Team: Brooke McLaurin, Harley Drouillard and Ally Ilher. The wins give Salado a 14-8 record as they start District 23-4A at home against La Vega on Jan. 6. They hosted Lago Vista Jan. 3 in a non-district game after press time.

Salado 58
Rogers 20

The Lady Eagles took a 24-5 first quarter lead on the strength of four three-pointers by Drouillard and went on to win 58-20 in the first round of the tournament Dec. 27.

Salado led 37-10 at the half and 46-13 at the end of three.

Elsie Law led the girls with 16 points, 10 of them in the second half. She also had 7 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflections, 3 steals and a block.

Drouillard followed with 15 points, all from beyond the arc. She had 3 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflections and 2 steals.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Karlee Konarik, 8 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 3 deflections and 3 steals; Ally Ilher, 7 points, a rebound, 2 deflections and 2 steals; Brooke McLaurin, 6 points, 9 rebounds and a deflection; Ariel Cebreco, 4 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists, deflection and 3 steals and Lorali Bookout, 2 points, 5 rebounds, 6 assists, 2 deflections and 4 steals.

Salado 57
Moulton 24

Salado Lady Eagles held

Moulton to just five points over the second and third periods to build a substantial lead in their 57-24 win in the second round of the tournament Dec. 27.

Salado led 15-10 after the first and 30-14 at the half. They outscored Moulton 16-1 in the third for a 46-15 lead going into the final quarter.

Ilher led the girls with 10 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists, 6 deflections and 3 steals.

Also scoring for Salado were Law, 9 points, 7 rebounds and a block; Drouillard, 8 points, a rebound, 3 assists and 2 steals; Bookout, 8 points, 6 rebounds, an assist, 3 deflections and 5 steals; Konarik, 6 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 4 deflections and 5 steals; Elly Wade, 6 points, a rebound, an assist, 3 deflections and 2 steals; Giselle Salazar, 4 points, a rebound, an assist, 2 deflections and a steal; McLaurin, 4 points, 6 rebounds, an assist and 4 deflections and Cebreco, 2 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 deflections and a block.

Salado 40
Crawford 30

For the first time in the Thorndale tournament, Salado trailed an opponent after the first, with Crawford leading 12-8, but the Lady Eagles scored 14 points in the second and held the Lady Pirates to seven points to lead 22-19 at the half.

The girls went on to hold the Lady Pirates to two points in the third for a 29-21 lead and a final of 40-30.

Law led the girls, scoring 11 of her game-high 12 points in the second half. She also had 5 rebounds, a deflection and a steal.

Ilher followed with 11 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 deflections and 2 steals.

Konarik also had double figures with 11 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflections, 2 steals and a block.

Also scoring for the girls were McLaurin, 4 points, 7 rebounds, an assist and 2 deflections and Drouillard, 2 points, 7 assists, 2 deflections and a steal. Bookout contributed 6 rebounds, a deflection and a steal; Cebreco, 2 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflection, 2 steals and a block and Salazar, a rebound.

Salado 45
Thorndale 27

The Lady Eagles beat the host team in the championship round, 45-27 on Dec. 28. They trailed 11-10 after the first but held Thorndale to a point in the second while putting up 16 for a 26-11 halftime lead.

Both teams puts up 5 points in the third but Salado added 14 in the fourth for the 45-27 win.

Law led the girls with 13 points, 8 rebounds, an assist and a deflection.

Ilher also had double figures with 11 points, 3 rebounds, 6 deflections, a steal and a block.

Also scoring for the Lady Eagles were Drouillard, 6 points, a rebound, 3 assists, 2 deflections and 3 steals; Konarik, 6 points, 3 assists, 3 deflections and 3 steals; Wade, 4 points, 3 rebounds and a steal and Bookout 2 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists and a steal. Also contributing were Salazar, a rebound, an assists, a deflection and 3 steals and Cebreco, a rebound.

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PRE-SEASON					
Day	Date	Time	Location	Opponent	Teams
Friday	9-Dec	4:15/5:30/7:15	Temple HS	Temple	JV/V
Tuesday	12-Dec	5:00/6:15/7:45	Georgetown HS	Georgetown	JV/V
Friday	16-Dec	6:00/7:30	Eastside Memorial	Eastside Memorial	JV/V
Friday	30-Dec	5:00/7:00	Salado	Liberty Hill	JV/V
Tuesday	3-Jan	8:00 PM	Salado	Alumni	V
Thurs-Sat	Jan 5-7	TBA	Georgetown HS	Governor's Cup	V
Thurs-Sat	Jan 5-7	TBA	Salado	JV Eagle Classic	JV
Tuesday	Jan 10	5:15/7:00	Austin Achieve HS	Austin Achieve	JV/V
Thurs-Sat	Jan 12-14	TBA	Wichita Falls	Midwestern State Showcase	V
Thurs-Sat	Jan 19-21	TBA	JV Belton Classic	Belton	JV
Tuesday	17-Jan	5/6:15/7:45	Shoemaker HS	Shoemaker	JV/V
Friday	20-Jan	5:00/7:00	Leander Rouse HS	Leanders Rouse	JV/V
District Play					
Day	Date	Time	Location	Opponent	Teams
Friday	27-Jan	4:00/7:00	China Spring	China Spring	JV/V
Friday	3-Feb	6:00 PM	Salado	Academy	V
Tuesday	7-Feb	5:00/7:00	Brownwood	Brownwood	JV/V
Friday	10-Feb	5:00/7:00	Lampasas	Lampasas	JV/V
Tuesday	14-Feb	4:00/7:00	Stephenville	Stevenville	JV/V
Friday	17-Feb	7:00 PM	Salado	Gatesville	V
Tuesday	21-Feb	4:00/7:00	Salado	China Springs	JV/V
Tuesday	28-Feb	6:00 PM	Academy HS	Academy	V
Friday	3-Mar	5:00/7:00	Salado	Brownwood	JV/V
Tuesday	7-Mar	5:00/7:00	Salado	Lampasas	JV/V
Tuesday	10-Mar	4:00/7:00	Salado	Stevenville	JV/V
Tuesday	14-Mar	7:00 PM	Gatesville	Gatesville	V
Post Season Play					
Day	Date	Time	Location	Opponent	Teams
TBA	March 23-26	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	March 27-28	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	March 31st	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	April 7th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	April 8th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	April 12th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TBA	April 13th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

Eagles struggle at Rockport-Fulton

Salado Eagles competed in the Rockport-Fulton tournament over Christmas break, winning one of four games there Dec. 27-28.

bound and 2 deflections; Miller, 6 rebounds and 2 assists and Josh Gilpin, a rebound.

SHS 46
PAHS 52

SHS 57
RFHS 58

Rockport-Fulton outscored Salado 21-11 in the fourth quarter to take a one-point win 58-57 in the first round of the tournament Dec. 27.

Salado Eagles lost a 25-12 halftime lead to Port Aransas in the third round of the Rockport-Fulton tournament Dec. 28. Port Aransas outscored Salado 12-6 in the third and 18-11 for the 52-46 win.

Salado led 19-15 after the first and 34-31 at the half. The Eagles outscored Rockport-Fulton 12-6 in the third before letting the lead get away from them.

Ramm hit all five three point attempts on his way to lead the Eagles with 17 points. He also had a rebound and a steal.

Levi Ball led the boys with 20 points on seven-of-14 shooting from the field. He also had 11 rebounds for the double double. He also had an assist, 5 deflections and 3 steals.

Wilson followed with 12 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists and 5 deflections.

Darius Wilson also had double figures with 11 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 deflections and a steal.

Also scoring were Ball, 6 points, 5 rebounds, an assist, 4 deflections, a steal and a block; Self, 5 points, 6 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflections and 2 steals; Miller, 4 points, 3 rebounds, an assist, 6 deflections and 2 steals and Lanier, a rebound.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Noah Self, 9 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 deflections and a steal; Luke Law, 9 points, 3 rebounds and 3 steals; Colby Ramm, 5 points and 3 rebounds; Mekhi Lanier, 3 points, 5 rebounds, and a steal and Nolan Miller, a rebound, 4 assists, a deflection and 2 steals.

SHS 46
NHS 49

SHS 49
AHS 36

Salado bounced back and beat Alice in the second round of the Rockport-Fulton tournament 49-36 on Dec. 27.

Salado lost a close one in the fourth round of the tournament, allowing Needville to outscore them 17-13 in the fourth for a 49-46 win on Dec. 28.

The Eagles led Alice 15-7 after the first and 31-20 at the half. Salado led 38-29 at the end of the third.

The Eagles led 16-9 after the first and 29-23 at the half. Needville outscored Salado 9-4 in the third and 17-13 in the fourth for the win.

Wilson led the boys with 14 points, 6 rebounds and a steal.

Wilson led the boys with 13 points, 6 rebounds, an assist and 3 deflections.

Ball had a double double with 12 points, 12 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 deflections and a steal.

Law had double figures with 12 points, 5 rebounds, an assist and a block.

Also scoring for the Eagles were Law, 7 points, 11 rebounds and an assist; Lanier, 6 points, 2 rebounds, an assist, 2 deflections and 2 steals; Self, 5 points, 6 rebounds, 6 assists, 2 deflections and a block; Ramm, 5 points, a re-

Also scoring for Salado were Self, 9 points, 8 rebounds and 2 assists; Ball, 5 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 deflections, a steal and 4 blocks; Ramm, 3 points, 2 rebounds and an assist; Gilpin, 2 points, 3 rebounds; Miller, 2 points, 2 rebounds, an assist and a deflection and Lanier, a rebound.

Salado begins district play with a home game against Robinson on Jan. 13. They play Gateway College Prep on the road on Jan. 6 in a non-district matchup.

Eagles start soccer with win

Salado Eagles started their season Dec. 30 with a home win over Liberty Hill, 3-1.

Eagles were undefeated in District play at 14-0 and were 23-4 on the year.

the year, returns for his senior year.

Luke Anderson will be one of two sophomores on the team, joined by returner Hughston Taggart.

Thaddeus Heckman scored two goals and Morgan Adams scored one.

They lost the District MVP Alexander Pierce to graduation. Also lost to graduation were Cooper Chambliss, Zion Musselman, Max Markham and David Ochoa.

Other returning seniors are Jake Rechtfertig, Brooks Dabney, Jett Luedeke, Logan White and Tyler Anderson.

In all, the Eagles have four All-District First Teamers returning: Heckman, Roquemore, Husung and Taggart.

Jackson Husung gave two assists in the match.

Andrew Gilmore, last year's Defensive player of

Returning juniors are Jackson Husung, Morgan Adams, Cody Roquemore and Thaddeus Heckman.

The Eagles are coached by Jared Cruddas, Matthew Figlestahler and Jared Martin.

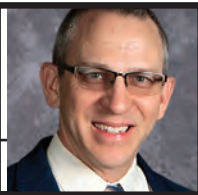
The Eagles return 12 players from last year's Region finalist. Last year, the

Freshman of the Year

School Trustees meet Dec. 12

The Salado ISD School Board met on Monday, December 12. The following is a summary of that meeting:

Superintendent's Corner



by Dr. Michael Novotny

- Thomas Arnold Elementary School student Alison Rojas led the pledge to the United States flag and the pledge to the state flag.
- Thomas Arnold Elementary School student Alison Rojas was recognized for assisting a substitute bus driver.
- Terrell Simmons was recognized for the outstanding job he does as a bus driver.

ing job he does as a bus driver.

- The Board reviewed the district's monthly enrollment report. Our current enrollment is 2,306 students, as compared to 2,223 in December 2021 and 2,112 in December 2020.
- The Board reviewed the monthly financial reports.

- The Board approved the minutes from the November 14 school board meeting.
- The Board approved the 2023-2024 Region 10 ESC Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative.
- The Board approved the purchase of a band trailer.
- The Board approved the 2023-2024 school calendar.

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Salado Lady Eagles Soccer Schedule 2022-2023

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Date	Opponent	Location	JV	Varsity
December				
Friday December 9	Harker Heights	Salado	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
Tuesday December 13	Copperas Cove	Copperas Cove	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Friday December 16	Team Pictures	Stadium	2:00 PM	
Friday December 16	Alumni Game/BBQ	Stadium	5:00 PM	
Monday December 19	Burnet	Burnet	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
Wednesday December 28	Leander Glenn	Salado	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
Friday December 30	Marble Falls	Marble Falls	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
January				
Tuesday January 3	Midway	Midway	5:30 PM	~
Thurs-Sat January 5-7	Waller Tournament	Waller	~	TBD
Tuesday January 10	Lorena	Lorena	~	7:30 PM
Thurs-Sat January 12-14	Castleberry Tournament	Castleberry (Fort Worth)	TBD	TBD
Thurs-Sat January 19-21	Salado Eagle Classic Tournament	Salado	~	TBD
Thurs/Sat January 26 & 28	Salado JV Eagle Classic Tournament	Salado	TBD	~
Friday January 27	China Spring	China Spring	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
Tuesday January 31	Belton	Salado	5:00 PM	~
February				
Friday February 3	Academy (Var)/Burnet (JV)	Academy (Var)/Burnet (JV)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Tuesday February 7	Brownwood - TEACHER NIGHT	Salado	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Friday February 10	Lampasas - YOUTH NIGHT	Salado	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Tuesday February 14	Stephenville	Stephenville	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
Friday February 17	Gatesville	Salado	~	5:00 PM
Tuesday February 21	China Spring	Salado	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
Saturday February 25	Belton	Salado	10:00 AM	~
Tuesday February 28	Academy (JV vs Burnet) SR/PARENT NIGHT	Salado	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
March				
Friday March 3	Brownwood	Brownwood	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Tuesday March 7	Lampasas	Lampasas	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
Friday March 10	Stephenville	Salado	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
Tuesday March 14	Gatesville	Gatesville	~	5:00 PM
Monday March 20	Lago Vista	Lago Vista	~	6:00 PM
March 23-25	Bi District	TBD		
March 27-28	Area	TBD		
March 30-April 1	Regional Quarterfinals	TBD		
April 7-8	Regional Tournament	Northwest ISD (Justin, TX)		
April 12-15	State Tournament	Georgetown		

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Salado Varsity Lady Eagles Soccer are (front row, from left): Izzy Blancaflor, Lexi Rice, Leyla Peralta, Melanie Morrow, Haley Piatak, Shelby Hollywood; (back row, from left) Skylar Gardner, Cassie Vargas, Evelyn Ackerman, Madyson Rosamond, Fran Blancaflor, Rachel Bender, Madlyn Serna, Jill Taylor, Payton Cunningham, Ashlyn Williams, Reese Lange, Taylor Dabney. (COURTESY PHOTO)

Lady Eagles shut out Marble Falls, Leander Glenn over holiday break

Salado Lady Eagles beat the Marble Falls Lady Mustangs on the road 3-0 on Dec. 30 in a non-district contest.

Shelby Hollywood scored two goals. Jill Taylor scored a goal.

The shutout was record-

ed by Taylor Dabney and Fran Blancaflor.

The girls also shut out Leander Glenn, 5-0, in a home game on Dec. 28.

Goals were scored by Skylar Gardner, Evelyn Ackerman, Jill Taylor, and Rachel Bender.

The shut out was recorded by Taylor Dabney and Franciezea Blancaflor.

In scrimmages before the Christmas break, the varsity girls shut out Harker Heights 4-0 while the JV girls shut out Harker Heights JV 6-0.

The girls are coached by

Michael Goos, Amy Thomas and Oscar Vargas.

The travel to the Waller Tournament this week. The Salado Eagle Classic will be Jan. 19-21, the next chance to see the girls in a home match.

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Six TC TBI Students earn College Board National Awards

Six high school students enrolled in Temple College's Texas Biosciences Institute (TBI) Middle College Program were named 2022 College Board National Recognition Award recipients.

Denman (Thorndale High School), Kristina Kempner (Thrall High School), Kevin Liu (Rockdale High School), Jimena Rodriguez-Gamez (Rockdale High School), Isabella Rentas (Hutto High School) and


Caleb Snider (Temple High School).

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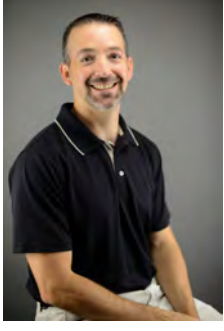


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Isabella Rentas, a 2022 College Board National Recognition Award recipient, is a student at Hutto High School and attends Temple College's Texas Biosciences Institute Middle College program at the College's Hutto Center.



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Among the qualifications to be considered for the award, students must be sophomores or juniors in high school, have a 3.5 GPA or higher when they apply, must take the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or AP Exams, and they must be African American, Hispanic, Indigenous or attend high school in a rural area or small town.

"We were delighted to learn that the College Board named six of our dual credit TBI students National Recognition Award winners," said Rosa Berreles-Acosta, Temple College's Executive Director of Dual Credit and High School Partnerships. "We are incredibly proud of the achievements and contributions made by Alexa, Kristina, Kevin, Jimena, Isabella and Caleb. These students are hard-working and dedicated to their academics. I have seen them work hard every day to achieve success, and we are so pleased to see them accomplish great things."

The Temple College TBI program is offered in two locations, Temple and Hut-

to. The program offers highly motivated high school students the opportunity to earn up to 60 college credit hours in a STEM-focused (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) foundational curriculum. Many program participants earn an associate degree from Temple College before they graduate from high school.



Alexa Denman – National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award

Alexa Denman is a student at Thorndale High School and attends TBI-Hutto. She plans to attend Baylor Medical School to become a surgeon.



Kristina Kempner – National Indigenous Recognition Award and National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award

Kristina "Nina" Kempner is a student at Thrall High School and attends TBI-Hutto.

"I received the Indigenous Recognition Award for being Choctaw Indian and the Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award from College Board," Kempner said. "I will continue my education by obtaining a bachelor's degree in business management and then attend law school. I hope to become a business owner, working with rental properties alone and in a property management business my family created."



Kevin Liu - National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award

Kevin Liu is a student at Rockdale High School and attends TBI-Hutto.

"I received the College Board National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award for my SAT score," he said. "I want to pursue a dentistry degree path. As for colleges, my list is still wide open, but I hope to narrow it down soon. I enjoy spending my time powerlifting and expanding my math knowledge."



Jimena Rodriguez-Gamez – National Hispanic Recognition Award

Jimena Rodriguez-Gamez is a student at Rockdale High School and attends TBI-Hutto.

"The Temple College Texas Bioscience Institute Program has made me a first-generation college student in high school. I received the College Board National Hispanic Recognition Award for my PSAT score and a five on the Spanish language and culture AP test," she said. "I plan on attending Texas State University to major in public health and become a public health researcher to advocate healthcare disparities among underrepresented groups. I enjoy playing the alto saxophone and watching 'Storage Wars' with my twin."



Isabella Rentas – National Hispanic Recognition Award and the National Rural and Small-Town Recognition Award

Isabella Rentas is a student at Hutto High School and attends TBI-Hutto.

"My goal is to graduate from Texas A&M University with a degree in ecology and conservation biology," Rentas said. "I plan to work as an environmental consultant or field scientist."



Caleb Snider – National Hispanic Recognition Award

Caleb Snider is a student at Temple High School and attends TBI-Temple.

"I plan to attend Texas A&M University. I hope to graduate with a master's degree in aerospace engineering and secure a job at one of the major aerospace corporations," Snider said. "I enjoy working as a team to complete tasks, and I like seeing how everything comes together. Machines (the parts that make them up and how they work) have always fascinated me. I have always enjoyed math and science, playing different instruments, and boxing in my free time."

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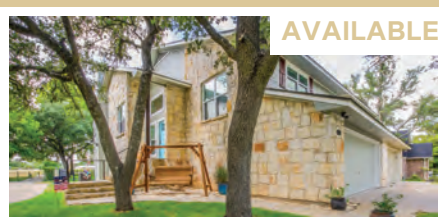
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AREA CHECK	143
Assault	19
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BUZZARD ABATEMENT	127
Citizen Contact	120
CIVIL MATTER	33
Crash	142
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CRIMINAL TRESPASS	14
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12/25	Madysen LN, Salado	Water or steam leak
12/25	JONES CIR, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/25	LESMAR LOOP, Bell	Building fire
12/25	HOMESTEAD RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/25	STONE RUSSELL DR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/26	FM 2484, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/26	SMITH BLUFF RD, Salado	Electrical wiring/equipment problem
12/26	SMITH DAIRY RD, BELL	EMS call, exclud. MVA with injury
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12/26	N CHURCH ST, Salado	Lock-out
12/26	S IH-35, SB RD, Salado	Dispatched & cancelled en route
12/26	M WAY, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/27	ROSE LN, Bell	Smoke scare, odor of smoke
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12/27	KUYKENDALL BRANCH RD, Bell	No incident found on arrival
12/27	CHISOLM CT, Salado	Dispatched & cancelled en route
12/27	LANITA LN, Bell	Dispatched & cancelled en route
12/28	FM 2484 RD, Salado	No incident found on arrival
12/28	Royal Street, Salado	Grass fire
12/28	N STAGECOACH RD, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/28	HACKBERRY RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/29	N STAGECOACH RD, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/29	S IH 35 SERVICE RD, Bell	No incident found on arrival
12/29	ELM GROVE SPUR, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/30	IH-35, N/B, Bell	No incident found on arrival
12/30	HOMESTEAD RD, Bell	Dispatched & cancelled en route
12/30	HOMESTEAD RD, Bell	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/30	WILLIAMS RD, Salado	Local alarm system, malicious false alarm
12/31	DEGRUMMOND WAY, Salado	Medical assist, assist EMS crew
12/31	YELLOW ROSE DR, Bell	Assist invalid
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RRC unveils interactive map of orphaned wells being plugged with use of federal funding

AUSTIN – The Railroad Commission has launched an interactive map of ongoing orphan well plugging with the use of federal infrastructure funding.

The data visualization allows users to choose what they see on the map, including which county to view, the fiscal year, and whether the wells have been plugged or have had a work order issued to be plugged.

The RRC received a \$25 million initial grant to plug abandoned oil and gas wells from the U.S. Department of the Interior in 2022. Texas was the first state in the country to start plugging abandoned oil and gas wells using federal funds with projects in Refugio County in October.

The funds are part of the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which dedicated the funds to plug abandoned oil and gas wells.

So far, the agency, which has the critical mission of protecting public safety and environment, has already plugged 128 orphaned wells with the federal funding and plans to plug about 800 abandoned wells by the end of the fiscal year.

“Thanks to our well-established well plugging program, we were able to hit the ground running to start plugging wells with the federal funds,” said Clay Woodul, RRC Assistant Director of the Oil and Gas Division for Field Operations. “The data visu-

alization allows anybody with access to the Internet to see our progress plugging wells the federal funds.”

RRC’s State Managed Plugging Program, which utilizes revenue from industry fees and fines, has exceeded performance measures set by the Texas Legislature for six consecutive fiscal years.

The RRC may receive up to \$318 million in additional formula funding from the federal government to plug orphaned wells. More information and links can be found via the following webpage: <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/environmental-clean-up-programs/federally-funded-well-plugging/>.



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